Claim 14 (Amended)

Line 1, after "the formula (I")" insert --according to claim 13--

Line 2, delete "according to claim 13"

Claim 15 (Amended) A process for producing a compound of the formula (I'''):

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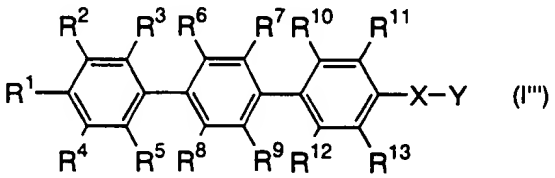

wherein R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13} are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, carboxy, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylthio, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted acyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfinyl, nitro, cyano, formyl, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, optionally substituted sulfamoyl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl,

X is -O-, $-CH_2-$, NR^{14}- wherein R^{14} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl or acetyl, or $-S(O)_p-$ wherein p is an integer of 0 to 2, Y is optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkynyl, optionally substituted acyl, optionally substituted cycloalkyl, optionally substituted cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, and Y may optionally be substituted lower alkoxy when X is $-CH_2-$ and may optionally be substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl or optionally substituted arylsulfonyl when X is -O- or $-NR^{14}$, R^1 and R^4, R^1 and R^2, R^2 and R^3, R^4 and R^5, R^6 and R^7, R^8 and R^9, R^{10} and R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13}, R^{11} and -X-Y, or R^{13} and -X-Y taken together may form a 5- or 6-membered ring which may contain one or more of O, S or NR^{15} wherein R^{15} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted arylsulfonyl, and which may optionally be substituted, excluding a compound wherein one or more of R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are halogen and the others are hydrogen, compounds wherein all of R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are halogen and compounds wherein all of R^2-R^{13} are hydrogen, halogen or cyano, provided that R^1 is not hydrogen, fluorine, optionally substituted lower alkyl or optionally substituted lower alkoxy, all of R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^{12}

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are hydrogen or R^{13} is not hydrogen or halogen when R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are all simultaneously hydrogen, and further provided that R^1 is not methyl or acetyloxy, R^{13} is not hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl or optionally substituted carbamoyl or -X-Y is not methoxy when at least one of R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 is a substituent other than hydrogen, pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, which comprises reacting a compound of the formula (II):

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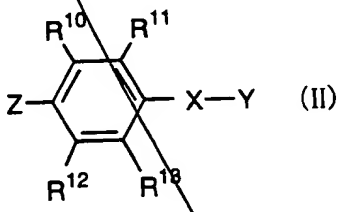
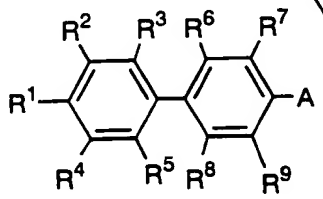


(II)

with a compound of the formula (III):



(III)

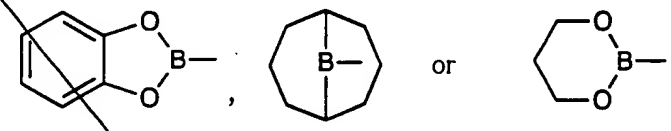
wherein, in the formulas (II) and (III), [R^1-R^{13}, X and Y are the same as defined in claim 7,] R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13} are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, carboxy, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyloxy, optionally substituted

lower alkylthio, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted acyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfinyl, nitro, cyano, formyl, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, optionally substituted sulfamoyl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl,

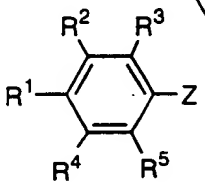
X is -O-, $-CH_2-$, $NR^{14}-$ wherein R^{14} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl or acetyl, or $-S(O)_p-$ wherein p is an integer of 0 to 2, Y is optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkynyl, optionally substituted acyl, optionally substituted cycloalkyl, optionally substituted cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, and Y may optionally be substituted lower alkoxy when X is $-CH_2-$ and may optionally be substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl or optionally substituted arylsulfonyl when X is -O- or $-NR^{14}$, R^1 and R^4, R^1 and R^2, R^2 and R^3, R^4 and R^5, R^6 and R^7, R^8 and R^9, R^{10} and R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13}, R^{11} and -X-Y, or R^{13} and -X-Y taken together may form a 5- or 6-membered ring which may contain one or more of O, S or NR^{15} wherein R^{15} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl,

optionally substituted arylsulfonyl, and which may optionally be substituted,

either of A and Z is dihydroxyborane, di(lower)alkoxyborane, di(lower)alkylborane,

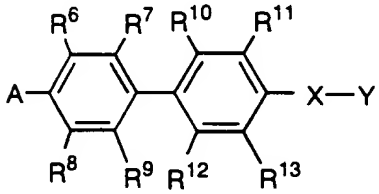


and the other is halogen or $-OSO_2(C_qF_{2q+1})-$ wherein q is an integer of 0 to 4, or reacting a compound of the formula (II'):



(II')

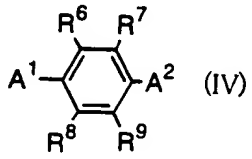
with a compound of the formula (III'):



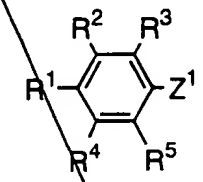
(III')

wherein, in the formulas (II') and (III'), R^1-R^{13}, X and Y are the same as defined [in claim 7] above and A and Z are the same as defined in the above formulas (II) and (III).

Claim 16 (Amended) The process for producing the compound of the formula (I''') according to claim 15, pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof [according to claim 15] comprising the reaction of a compound of the formula (IV):


(IV)

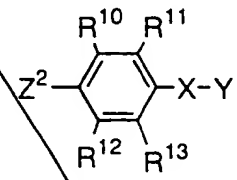
with a compound of the formula (V):


(V)

wherein, in the formulas (IV) and (V), R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, carboxy, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylthio, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted acyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfinyl, nitro, cyano, formyl, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, optionally

substituted sulfamoyl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, Z^1 is defined the same as for Z [defined] in the formula (II) [in claim 15], A^1 and A^2 are each independently defined the same as for A [defined] in the formula (III) [in claim 15], and the reactivity of A^1 is higher than or equal to that of A^2,

followed by the reaction with a compound of the formula (VI):



(VI)

wherein R^{10}-R^{13} are as defined for R^1-R^9 above, X is -O-, $-CH_2-$, NR^{14}- wherein R^{14} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl or acetyl, or $-S(O)_p-$ wherein p is an integer of 0 to 2, Y is optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkynyl, optionally substituted acyl, optionally substituted cycloalkyl, optionally substituted cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, and Y may optionally be substituted lower alkoxy when X is $-CH_2-$ and may optionally be substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl or optionally substituted arylsulfonyl when X is -O- or $-NR^{14}$, R^1 and R^4, R^1 and R^2, R^2 and R^3, R^4 and R^5, R^6 and R^7, R^8 and R^9, R^{10} and R^{11},

R^{12} and R^{13}, R^{11} and -X-Y, or R^{13} and -X-Y taken together may form a 5- or 6-membered ring which may contain one or more of O, S or NR^{15} wherein R^{15} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted arylsulfonyl, and which may optionally be substituted, [X and Y are the same as defined in the formula (I) in claim 7] and Z^2 is the same as [Z defined in the above formula (II)] Z^1 above.

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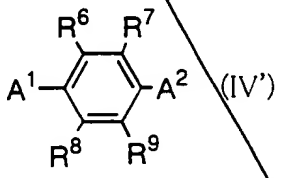
Claim 17 (Amended) The process for producing the compound of the formula (I''') according to claim 15, pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof [according to claim 15] comprising the reaction of a compound of the formula (IV'):



(IV')

wherein, [R^6-R^9 is the same as defined in the formula (I) in claim 7,] R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, carboxy, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylthio, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted acyloxy, optionally substituted lower

alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfinyl, nitro, cyano, formyl, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, optionally substituted sulfamoyl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, A^1 and A^2 are each independently defined the same as for A [defined] in the formula (III) [in claim 15], and the reactivity of A^2 is higher than or equal to that of A^1, with a compound of the formula (VI) [in claim 16]

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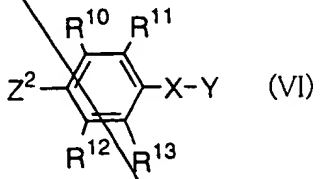
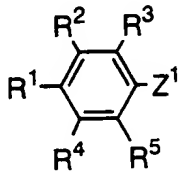


(VI)

wherein R^{10}-R^{13} are as defined for R^6-R^9 above, X is -O-, $-CH_2-$, NR^{14}- wherein R^{14} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl or acetyl, or $-S(O)_p-$ wherein p is an integer of 0 to 2, Y is optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkynyl, optionally substituted acyl, optionally

substituted cycloalkyl, optionally substituted cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, and Y may optionally be substituted lower alkoxy when X is $-CH_2-$ and may optionally be substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl or optionally substituted arylsulfonyl when X is -O- or $-NR^{14}$, R^1 and R^4, R^1 and R^2, R^2 and R^3, R^4 and R^5, R^6 and R^7, R^8 and R^9, R^{10} and R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13}, R^{11} and -X-Y, or R^{13} and -X-Y taken together may form a 5- or 6-membered ring which may contain one or more of O, S or NR^{15} wherein R^{15} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted arylsulfonyl, and which may optionally be substituted, and Z^2 is defined the same as for Z in formula (II), followed by the reaction with a compound of the formula (V) [in claim 16.]



(V)

wherein R^1-R^5 are as defined for R^6-R^9 above, Z^1 is defined the same as for Z in the formula (II).

Please cancel claims 23-25 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

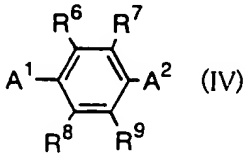
Please add the following new claims:

26. The selective suppressor of the IgE production claimed in claim 4 which suppresses infiltration of an inflammatory cell to tissue.

27. The selective suppressor of the IgE production claimed in claim 26 wherein the inflammatory cell is an eosinophil and/or a netrophile.

28. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound, pharmaceutically acceptable salt, hydrate or prodrug thereof claimed in claims 18, 19, 20, 21 or 22.

29. A process for producing a compound of the formula (I) according to claims 18, 19, 20, 21 or 22, pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof comprising reacting a compound of the formula (IV)



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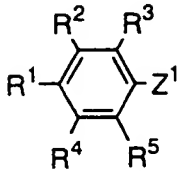
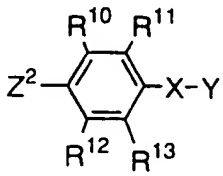
with a compound of the formula (V):



(V)

wherein, in the formulas (IV) and (V), R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8 and R^9 are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, carboxy, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylthio, optionally substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted acyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyloxy, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfinyl, nitro, cyano, formyl, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, optionally substituted sulfamoyl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, Z^1 is defined the same as for Z in the formula (II), A^1 and A^2 are each independently defined the same as for A in the formula (III), and the reactivity of A^1 is higher than or equal to that of A^2, followed by the reaction with a compound of the formula (VI):



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$-NR^{14}-$ wherein R^{14} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl or acetyl, or $-S(O)_p-$ wherein p is an integer of 0 to 2, Y is optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted lower alkynyl, optionally substituted acyl, optionally substituted cycloalkyl, optionally substituted cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted heterocyclyl, and Y may optionally be substituted lower alkoxy when X is $-CH_2-$ and may optionally be substituted lower alkoxycarbonyl, optionally substituted lower alkylsulfonyl or optionally substituted arylsulfonyl when X is -O- or $-NR^{14}$, R^1 and R^4, R^1 and R^2, R^2 and R^3, R^4 and R^5, R^6 and R^7, R^8 and R^9, R^{10} and R^{11}, R^{12} and R^{13}, R^{11} and -X-Y, or R^{13} and -X-Y taken together may form a 5- or 6-membered ring which may contain one or more of O, S or NR^{15} wherein R^{15} is hydrogen, optionally substituted lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkenyl, optionally substituted arylsulfonyl, and which may optionally be substituted, and Z^2 is the same as Z^1 above.

30. A process for producing a compound of the formula (I), according to claims 18, 19, 20, 21 or 22 pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof comprising reacting a compound of the formula (IV')

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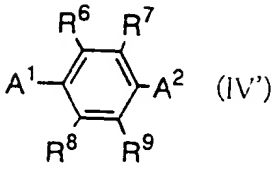

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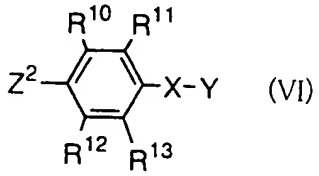

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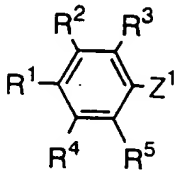

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